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CLAIMS:

What is claimed is:

1.   A method for transliteration of text in Indian languages, the method comprising:

identifying a selected portion of a text in an Indian language; and

transliterating the selected portion into a target script to form transliterated text, wherein the target script is identified in a user profile.

2.   The method of claim 1, wherein the step of identifying a selected portion of a text includes receiving a selection from a user.

3.   The method of claim 1, wherein the selected portion is delimited by at least one of spaces, punctuation, and document tags.

4.   The method of claim 1, wherein the method is performed in an application plug-in.

5.   The method of claim 4, wherein the application is a Web browser.

6.   The method of claim 1, further comprising:
replacing the selected portion with the transliterated text within the text.

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7.   The method of claim 1, further comprising:
     presenting the transliterated text.

8.   The method of claim 1, further comprising:
     identifying one or more synonyms of the selected
portion.

9.   The method of claim 8, further comprising:
     transliterating the one or more synonyms into the
target script to form transliterated synonyms.

10. The method of claim 9, further comprising:
     presenting the transliterated synonyms.

11. An apparatus for transliteration of text in Indian
languages, the apparatus comprising:
     identification means for identifying a selected
portion of a text in an Indian language; and
     transliteration means for transliterating the
selected portion into a target script to form
transliterated text, wherein the target script is
identified in a user profile.

12. The apparatus of claim 11, further comprising:
     presentation means for presenting the transliterated
text.

13. The apparatus of claim 11, further comprising:
     means for identifying one or more synonyms of the
selected portion.

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14. The apparatus of claim 13, further comprising:
means for transliterating the one or more synonyms
into the target script to form transliterated synonyms.

15. The apparatus of claim 14, further comprising:
means for presenting the transliterated synonyms.

16. A computer program product, in a computer readable
medium, for transliteration of text in Indian languages,
the computer program product comprising:
instructions for identifying a selected portion of a
text in an Indian language; and
instructions for transliterating the selected
portion into a target script to form transliterated text,
wherein the target script is identified in a user
profile.

17. The computer program product of claim 16, further
comprising:
instructions for presenting the transliterated text.

18. The computer program product of claim 16, further
comprising:
instructions for identifying one or more synonyms of
the selected portion.

19. The computer program product of claim 18, further
comprising:

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instructions for transliterating the one or more synonyms into the target script to form transliterated synonyms.

20. The computer program product of claim 19, further comprising:

instructions for presenting the transliterated synonyms.